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To the DAILY GAZETTEER.

SIR,

THE * People (says Mr. *D'Anvers*) ‘ are never better pleased ‘ than when they see the Authors of their Miseries called ‘ to Account, nor resent any ‘ thing so much as suffering ‘ such Men to escape with ‘ Impunity.’

THE putting of a Great Man to Death, hath ever been a most entertaining Spectacle to the Mob, who are glad to see a Minister of State sacrificed now and then, by way of Balance or Reprisal, for the numerous Tribe of Ruffians and Banditti, who swell the martyred Annals of *Newgate*, and play the Hero every Session at *Tyburn* Tree.

THE *Turkish* Government seems, in this respect, best calculated for a Man of Mr. *D'Anvers*'s *vindictive Temper*: And if the Legislature should transport him and his *angry Cabal* to *Constantinople*, they would then stand a fair Chance once in their Lives, at least, of seeing a Grand Vizier, a Capighi Bashaw, or some other Great Officer of the *Ottoman Porte* strangled, and their Carcasses thrown out of the Windows of the Seraglio, to appease the Brutal Fury of an incensed Rabble.

THIS is the Regimen of the Sublime Porte. Whenever an Army is defeated, a Frontier Town taken, or any other signal Calamity befals the Empire, the Sultan is obliged to massacre his Ministers, in default whereof, he runs the Hazard of being deposed, having his Eyes put out, and Imprisonment for Life.

† MOST *of our Princes* (says the Patriot) *who put it in Practise*, (who destroyed their Ministers) *reigned successfully at least, if not gloriously*, in particular *Henry the Eighth*, a *butcherly Fellow*, who was always imbruing his Hands in the Blood of his Queens, his Ministers, and principal Courtiers.

HE divorced two of his Queens, *Catherine* of *Spain*, and *Anne* of *Cleve*, and beheaded *Anne Boleyn* and *Catherine Howard*. I suppose Mr. *D'Anvers*, who is no great *Admirer of Queens*, venerates his Memory upon that Account.

IT is much to be lamented, that these Worriers of Ministers did not flourish in the Times of this amiable Monarch, whose Reign abounded with tragical Executions, of which the following is a short Recital. Duke of *Buckingham*, High Constable of *England*; Sir *Tho. More*, Lord Chancellor; Lord *Cromwell*, Prime Minister; Bishop of *Rochester*, Countess of *Salisbury*, Lord and Lady *Rochford*, Lord *D'Arcy*, Lord *Hussey*, Sir *Robert Constable*, Lady *Bulmer* (burnt) Sir *Edward Nevill*, Marquis of *Exeter*, Lord *Montacute*, Earl of *Surry*, besides an incredible Number of the common People.

HE governed from the 7th to the 14th, and from the 15th to the 21st Year of his Reign without a Parliament, and raised Money by extorted Loans, pretended Forfeitures and arbitrary Compositions: He seized the Lands and Revenues of the Church, of which himself was a Member: He sued all the Clergy in the Kingdom in a Premunire, for submitting to the Legative Authority of Cardinal *Woolsey*, his first Minister, and obtained Judgment thereon, which he was afterwards graciously pleased to mitigate for a Fine of an § Hundred thousand Pounds Sterling from the Province of *Canterbury*, and Eighteen thousand Eight hundred and Forty Pounds from the Province of *York*; most prodigious and unreasonable Amercements!

THUS it was, that *Henry* the Eighth reigned *successfully, at least if not gloriously*, in Contradistinction to a Reign which eclipses the Glories of the *Augustan* Age, and even rivals the happiest Days of the *Roman* Commonwealth.

BUT if *Henry* the Eighth, who (not excepting *James* the Second) was as bloody and tyrannical a Prince as ever swayed the *English* Sceptre) reigned *successfully*; at least it must be allowed, that *Muley Ishmael* Emperor of *Morocco* reigned *gloriously*. Strange! that this *Imperial Butcher* should have escaped Mr. *D'Anvers*'s Notice, nor have yet received the Tribute of Praise due to his princely Memory, for the Demolition of so many Courtiers and Ministers as had the Honour to die by his consecrated Lance.

THE Subjects of old *Muley* had, however, the Pleasure of drinking in Tyranny at the Fountain Head, *pure, unadulterated Royal Tyranny*. They could not, with any Colour of Justice, complain that his Government was *ministerially* conducted. * ‘ He had, indeed, ‘ a Queen, of whom he was remarkably fond, and a ‘ favourite Minister, who was very dear to him; *but to ‘ prevent any Uneasiness in the Mind of his Subjects*, ‘ the first died by a Kick of her Lord the King, when ‘ she was big with Child, for having gathered a Flower ‘ as she was walking with him in his Pleasure Garden: ‘ The other was bastinadoed to Death by his Majesty, ‘ who repenting of the Drubs he had given him when ‘ it was too late, to manifest his Esteem for the Memory of so worthy a Man, executed the Surgeon ‘ that could not cure him.’

BUT it seems, ‘ † a Minister of State in desperate ‘ Circumstances, will never fail to add, that his Opposers are Enemies to the King himself, and endeavour to persuade him (the King) that whatever they ‘ may pretend, they mean nothing less than the Subversion of his Government.’

THIS may be true enough for what I know, not only of Ministers in desperate Circumstances, but of others, whose Administration fits *as easy upon them as a Glove*, and who are themselves as *easy as an old Shoe*.

NEVER did any Minister impose upon the Weakness and Credulity of his Prince, in a more extraordinary Manner than M. *D'Anvers*. It is not unlikely, that he hath by him a Journal of his Ministerial Pranks, from which he is now writing the History of his own Experiences.

MINISTERS are undoubtedly subject to the same Prejudices, and influenced by the same Passions and Resentments with ourselves. Even some of our best Patriots, are, *by Nature, the Children of Wrath*, as well *as others*.

IT ought not therefore to be accounted an unpardonable Crime, if a Minister, in Resentment of the ill Treatment he has met with, should now and then put in a Word for himself, and represent his Opposers as the Enemies of his Royal Master. And I will add, that in some Cases, it is the indispensible Duty of a faithful Minister and Servant of the Crown, to make such a Representation.

As first, where there is a Competitor for the Crown, who once stood a very fair Chance for succeeding, and a Party or Faction in the Kingdom more or less considerable (for that will not affect the Force of the Argument) still remaining in his Interest, and when such a Party unanimously and ardently endeavours the Minister's Overthrow, then the Prince must of course conclude, that his Minister's Enemies and his own are the same, and that the Servant is maligned for his Master's Sake.

2. WHEN the Enemies of a Minister erect themselves into a Cabal, and set up a weekly Libel to abuse and affront the Royal Family; when they are not contented with defaming the Ministry, but strike at all, and search into every Circumstance relating to his Majesty's Person, Family, and private Life, to publish them to the World in a contemptible Manner.

BUT when their Malice rises so high as to arraign the Acts of Nature, and the Providence of Almighty God, it is not to be wondered at, if it should insult the Retirements of a Princess, and trample upon the sacred Majesty of Kings.

3. WHEN the Enemies of a Minister oppose him in all his Propositions for the publick Service, and endeavour to render the Government impracticable; when they represent all the Supplies which have been granted since his Majesty's Accession to the Throne, as the Plunder of the People; when they describe their Prince as a publick Robber, and his Revenues as a Depredation upon the national Treasure.

4. WHEN the Faction against the Minister is partly composed of Persons who were themselves Ministers of State in a former Reign (and before the Succession in his Family took Place) who openly and avowedly attempted to defeat that Succession, in Opposition to *his Minister*, who then as warmly contended for it, and partly of his own discontented Courtiers. When this united Body makes large Strides towards dethroning the King, and subjecting him to the Authority of a Council of War, as in the Days of *Richard Cromwell*; then the Prince will see very clearly, that these Men are his own Enemies as well as his Minister's.

BUT a Prince of Spirit and Observation will carry his Views a little farther; he will, by Degrees, discover, that some *pretended Patriots* are neither *Friends* nor *Enemies* to any Body any longer than it suits their own narrow Views and selfish Ambition. It is an indifferent Matter to them, whether a *George* or a *James* sits upon the *British* Throne, and whether *ten Millions* of People are *free Men* or *Slaves*.

THESE Gentlemen are of the same Complexion with my Lord *O — d* in the Reign of the late Queen, who was raised by the Jacobites to be prime Minister. This Lord, as appeared by his Conduct afterwards, was *of no Side but his own*; for after he had obtained his Ends, ennobled his Family, and married his Son to the *greatest Fortune in the three Kingdoms*, he valued the Pretender no more than *an old rusty Nail not worth driving*.

BUT if ever * *the Spirit of the* British *Nation should exert itself without any undue Influence* (as it seems it did at the Funeral of the late Duke of *Buckinghamshire* and *Normanby*) and the *Humanity of our Countrymen* should extend itself to his distant Relation, who is now *sacrificing his Time and Life*, as a Royal Pageant in the Arms of the Church; then, and not till then, we may expect to see *pretended Patriots* become Ministers, and Ministers become *real Patriots*.

FROM the many invidious Paragraphs inserted in ‡ one of the publick Papers concerning the Death and solemn Interment of this *young Nobleman*, it may, I think, be fairly queried, if he was not buried with Royal Magnificence (the *great Patriot* himself attending the Funeral) and his Remains blended with the Dust of our *ancient Kings*, purely to affront the illustrious Family upon the Throne; forasmuch as he was descended from the *abdicating Prince*, upon whose Exclusion the Protestant Succession was established, and the Imperial Crown of these Realms, in Process of Time, devolved upon his Majesty's Royal Father, our late Sovereign King *George* the First, of glorious Memory.

I am, Sir, your humble Servant,

Lincoln's Inn.

WM. PRYNN.

* *See London Evening Post.*
‡ *London Evening Post Feb* 3.

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* *See* Craftsman, Feb. 7. † *See* Ditto.
§ *See* Rapin, *Vol. I. p.* 791, 792.

* *See* Addison's Freeholder, *p.* 61.
† *See* Craftsman, Feb. 7.

Yesterday came the following Advices by a Mail from France, *and another from* Flanders.

Dresden, Jan. 6. *O. S.*

A Page arrived here two Days ago from Warsaw, who is going to the Court of Saxe-Gotha, with a Compliment from the King of Poland to the Princess, on her intended Marriage to the Prince of Wales. A magnificent Suit of Hangings, laced with Gold and Silver, has been making here for some time past, which, with several other Ornaments of great Value, the King intends to send forthwith as a Present to the Duke of Lorain, and the Archdutchess whom he is to marry. The Dyet of the Kingdom is fixed for the 21st of March O. S. and all the Grandees of Poland are then to make their Appearance, or else they will be deprived of their Votes. Proclamation has also been made, that those who do not recognize Augustus III. King of Poland, by the End of March next, shall be deprived of their Offices and Estates.

Cologn, Feb. 2. *O S.* We have received Advice of the Death of the Dutchess of Brunswick Wolfembuttle, Mother of the Empress Regent. She was the Daughter of Albert Ernest Prince of Oetingen, born the 6th of March 1671, O. S. baptized Christina Louisa, and married the 2d of April 1690, to Lewis Radolph Duke of Brunswick Wolfembuttle-Blanckenburg, who died the 19th of February last Year; and as the Duke of Bevern, who

who married the Emperor's youngeſt Siſter, died alſo the 23d of Auguſt laſt O. S. three of the moſt diſtinguiſhed Perſons of that illuſtrious Family have died in leſs than a Year's Time.

Leghorn, Jan. 22. *O. S.* The Duke de Montemar having put great Part of his Equipage on board for Madrid, and 8 Men of War being forthwith expected from Cadiz, with a Million of Pieces of Eight to pay the Spaniſh Troops that are in Italy, which Ships are alſo to take on board 15,000 Men of the Forces that are in Tuſcany, are Proofs that his Catholick Majeſty is reſolved to evacuate that Dutchy.

Paris, Feb. 2. *O. S.* Yeſterday the Chevalier Servandoni, Decorator of the Opera, gave a very particular and pleaſant Entertainment on account of the Carnival, which is to laſt till To-morrow Night. There were 60 Gentlemen, who having paid each 60 Livres for their Subſcription Tickets, were allowed to bring every Man his Lady, who was to be either his Wife, Siſter, or Couſin, tho' whether the Chevalier was ſo ſtrict as to give himſelf the Trouble of an Examination into their Claſſes, is much to be queſtioned. The Company came at Night to his Houſe, viz. the Hotel de Longueville, which was finely illuminated, and having dreſſed themſelves in their Maſquerade Habits, which were all of one Make, paſſed thro' ſeveral Rooms, variouſly decorated with fine Scenes of Harbors, Palaces, and Gardens, while a fine Concert was performed in the Italian Language by the moſt skilful Muſicians. After the Concert, there was a moſt delicate and charming Repaſt, ſerved by Women in the Habit of Nymphs, and by Men diſguiſed like Sylvans. At every Courſe the Tables were lifted up, and diſappeared in a Moment, and, in the Twinkling of an Eye, were ſucceeded by others that came up as it were from under Ground, all ready ſerved. And after this Repaſt the Company went into a great Room, where a Ball was opened by Shepherds and Shepherdeſſes, which was accompanied with a fine Symphony of Muſick; and a ſtately Fire-work was played off in the Garden. To-morrow Servandoni is to give another Entertainment to the ſame Company, at the ſame Houſe, and after Supper they are to repair to the Opera, where the gay Feſtival is to be concluded with a Ball.

Paris, Feb. 7. *O. S.* The 4th Inſtant, being the King's Birth-day, who then entered the 27th Year of his Age, his Majeſty received the uſual Compliments on that Occaſion, from the Princes and Princeſſes of the Blood, and the Nobility of both Sexes; and the Dauphin gave his Siſters the Princeſſes a Ball, at which ſeveral young Lords and Ladies were preſent. The Feaſt which the Count de Steinville, the Envoy of Lorain, gave laſt Sunday, on account of his Maſter's Marriage, was the moſt delicate, and the beſt contrived, and the Gueſts were no leſs than 104. The Keeper of the Seals went to ſee the Preparations made for it, but did not ſtay to partake of it; the Cardinal de Fleury neither could be preſent; ſo that the only Cardinals there were Biſſy, Rohan, and Polignac.

Hague, Feb. 10. *O. S.* The Miniſter of Sardinia, in Conference with the States Deputies Yeſterday, declared, that the King his Maſter, in Anſwer to the Reſolution delivered to him lately, was willing to accede to the Preliminaries of Peace, and that his Sardinian Majeſty would make his Option of the Tartonois and Novarois, deſiring only certain Explanations in relation to the Diſtrict called the Longhes. The Deputies of Holland are for the moſt Part arrived in Town, in order to meet To-morrow. M. de Ginkel has written to acquaint the States, that, according to their Reſolution, he had made his Repreſentations to the King of Pruſſia about the Violences committed in Guelderlend; but that, as yet, he had not received any direct Anſwer.

LONDON.

Sir Cyril Wyche, his Britannick Majeſty's Envoy Extraordinary to the Hanſe Towns, having obtain'd his Majeſty's Permiſſion to accept the Duke of Holſtein's Offer of conferring on him his Order of Knighthood of St. Anne of Sleſwick-Holſtein; the ſaid Order was deliver'd to his Excellency at Hamburgh laſt Friday Se'nnight, by the firſt Herald of that Order, in the moſt diſtinguiſh'd Manner, accompanied with a very gracious Letter from his moſt Serene Highneſs the Duke of Holſtein.

Thurſday laſt died Sir Francis Vincent Bart. at his Seat at Stoke Dabernon near Cobham in Surry, being 94 Years of Age. He was deſcended of a Family of good Antiquity and Note, anciently of Leiceſterſhire, and afterwards of Northamptonſhire, whereof was John Vincent of whom mention is made in the Time of Henry III. David Vincent, another of his Predeceſſors, had the Grant of a Manor in Suffolk from King Henry VIII. who appointed him Keeper of his Wardrobes for Life, Warden of the Mint, and left him a Legacy of 100l. by his laſt Will, to which he was one of the Witneſſes: And King Edward VI. gave him the Lordſhip of Long Ditton in Surry, and an Eſtate at Richmond, in which Church he was bury'd Anno 1565. His Son Thomas Vincent of Bernake in Northamptonſhire, married Jane Daughter and Heir of Thomas Lyfield of Stoke-Dabernon, which Manor, by the ſaid Marriage, came into this Family, having paſſed by Heirs Female from *Dawbernon* (a Norman who attended William the Conqueror) thro' ſeveral Families, and became the future Reſidence of the ſaid Thomas and his Poſterity: Bernake being exchanged with the Earl of Exeter for other Lands in Surry. This Thomas who was knighted at his Seat by Queen Elizabeth, died in 1613, aged 70, was bury'd at Stoke, and left Iſſue a Son named Francis, who was knighted by King James I. and afterwards created a Baronet.

The Deceaſed was Son of Sir Francis Vincent, Bart. (who was Member for Dover in the long Parliament of King Charles II.) by Catherine Daughter of Serjeant Pitt, and marry'd Rebecca Daughter of Mr. Jonathan Aſh of London, Merchant, (who died in Auguſt 1725) by whom he had Iſſue 6 Sons, viz. Anthony, Francis and Thomas, who are all dead, Henry the preſent Baronet, Richard and William, and 4 Daughters, of whom Elizabeth the youngeſt but one, married the late Mr. Butterfield Rector of Stoke-Dabernon, upon whoſe Death Sir Francis preſented the Rev. Mr. Nathanael Pope, M. A. to that Rectory. Sir Francis repreſented the County of Surry as Knight of the Shire in two Parliaments, viz. once in the Reign of King William, and laſt in 1710, when he was choſe with the preſent Earl of Aylesford, then Lord Guernſey.

On Thurſday laſt, being the laſt Day of Term, George Pembroke of St. Albans in the County of Hertford, Gent. one of the Attornies of his Majeſty's Court of Common Pleas, was admitted a Sollicitor of the High Court of Chancery, and is appointed a Commiſſioner to take Affidavits in the Courts of King's Bench and Common Pleas.

On Saturday laſt died James Reading, Eſq; an eminent Brewer in Southwark, and one of the Juſtices of the Peace for the County of Surry. He married the Widow of James Smyth of Annalles in Hertfordſhire, Eſq;

BANKRUPTS.

Robert Sopp, late of London, Bricklayer.

Chriſtopher Worger, of Aſhford in the County of Kent, Draper.

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